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## BEWARE: Ag Scammers Stealing Hay in Region

Excerpted From *Arkansas Democrat Gazette*

CLINTON- Two farmers who advertised their hay on a Cooperative Extension Service website sniffed out a scam involving 30 bales of hay and fake checks from a fake bank.

An alleged buyer asked the two hay producers to sell them 15 bales of hay each, then sent along checks to cover the cost of the bales and the shipping charges.

Tom Troxel, a professor and associate head of the Animal Science Department at the University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service, said one grower grew suspicious because the buyer usually pays the shipper. A bank declared the sent checks fakes.

The hay scam targeted producers in Hempstead, Van Buren and Washington counties.

Each bale sells for \$30 to \$35.

"By keeping amounts small, [the buyer] apparently hoped to fly under the radar and not draw suspicion," Troxel said.



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"The alleged buyer could have gotten a load of hay free, and he could have turned around and sold it."

Troxel said several states operate online hay directories. "You must investigate a proposal if it doesn't sound right," he said.

Two Van Buren producers, who listed their hay for sale on the website, received e-mails from a "Steven Arland". Steven Arland wanted to purchase 15 bales of hay. Steven Arland asked the hay producers for their mailing address so he could send them a check via FedEx. The amount of the check was to cover the hay purchase price and the shipping charges. The return address on the FedEx envelope was 123 Autobahn, New York, New York. Steve Arland told the hay producers he would arrange for a shipper to arrive at their farm to pick up the hay. The hay producers were supposed to pay the shipper with the money Steven Arland sent via FedEx.

One of the Van Buren producers took the check to his bank and asked them to verify the check. The check was fraudulent. The check had Daniel Williams name on it and it had the National City Bank of Frankemuth, Michigan.

A Washington County producer had the same experience. Same story, wanted to buy 15 bales of hay, buyer's name was Steven Arland, sent the hay producer a check to cover the hay and shipping and so the story goes.

If any of your hay producers receive e-mails to purchase hay, please tell them about these reports. I am going to contact the Attorney General's office about this situation. I want to thank Danny Griffin and Dena Malone in Van Buren County and John Pennington in Washington County for bringing this situation to my attention.

Educational programs of Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

## Farmers, Ranchers and Taxes

By Brock Fry

Ever had a question about how to calculate your taxes for the farm? Well, the Internal Revenue Service has a website to tell you more about taxes and the farm or ranch. If you currently pay income or sales tax on your equipment, land, or building materials, it may be worth your while to see how much you should be paying. Here is a list of items that are sales tax exempt in Texas agriculture:

Air Tank	Grain handling equipment
Augers, grain bin	Grease, lubricant & oil
Bale transportation equipment	Harrow
Baler twine	Head gate
Baler wrap	Hoist
Baler	Husking machine
Binder	Hydraulic fluid
Brush hog	Hydro-cooler
Bulk milk cooler	Implement of husbandry
Bulk milk tank	Incubator
Calf weaner and feeder	Irrigation equipment
Cattle feeder	Manure handling equipment
Chain saw; clear fence line and prune orchard	Manure spreader
Chopper	Milking equipment
Combine	Mower, hay & rotary blade
Conveyor	Picker
Corn picker	Planter
Corral panel	Poultry feeder
Cotton picker, stripper	Poultry house equipment
Cow stall	Pruning equipment
Crawler tractor	Roll bar equipment
Crusher	Roller
Cultipacker	Root vegetable harvester
Disc	Rotary hoe
Drag	Seed cleaner
Dryer	Sheller
Duster	Silo un-loader
Egg handling equipment	Soil mover used to grade farmland
Ensilage cutter	Sorter
Farm machinery and repair or replacement part	Sower
Farm tractor	Sprayer
Farm wagon	Spreader
Farrowing house (portable & crate)	Squeeze chute
Feed cart	Stall
Feed grinder	Stanchion
Feeder	Sub-soiler
Fertilizer distributor	Threshing machine
Fogger	Tiller
Forage box	Tires for exempt equipment
Forage harvester	Vacuum coolers
Grain binder	Vegetable grader
Grain drill	Vegetable washer
Grain elevator (portable)	Vegetable waxer

### Sales Tax

Although farmers and ranchers are not automatically exempt from paying sales tax, they may claim exemption from sales tax for certain items used in agricultural production.

For sales tax purposes, a farm or ranch is land used wholly or in part in the production of crops, livestock and/or other agricultural products held for sale in the regular course of business. Examples of farms and ranches include commercial greenhouses, feed lots, dairy farms, poultry farms, commercial orchards and similar agricultural operations. A home garden, however, is not considered a farm or ranch.

### Always Exempt

Sales of some plants and animals are never taxable:

- seeds and annual plants, the products of which either are ordinarily food or are to be sold in the regular course of business;
- animals, including cattle, sheep, poultry and swine, the products of which are ordinarily food;
- horses, mules and work animals; and
- feed for farm and ranch animals or for wild game.

### Exempt if used exclusively for agricultural production

Some goods can be exempt from sales tax if they are used exclusively on a commercial farm or ranch in the production of agricultural products. The purchaser must complete an exemption certificate to purchase these items tax-free:

- fertilizer, fungicides, insecticides, herbicides, defoliant and desiccants (drying agents) used exclusively in agricultural production;
- all medications, tonics, restoratives or other therapeutic preparations (vaccines and drenches, for example) for farm and ranch animals;
- feed for animals held for sale in the regular course of business; and
- machinery or equipment used exclusively in the production of food, grass, feed and other agricultural products or in building or maintaining farm and ranch roads and water facilities.

Sales tax agricultural exemptions do not apply to logging and timber operations. A phased-in refund applies to some items used exclusively for commercial timber production.

Find the Tax Certificate at

[www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxforms/01-forms.html#Resale](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxforms/01-forms.html#Resale)

### Motor Fuel Tax

A farmer or rancher can get a refund of tax paid on gasoline used in power take-off equipment or auxiliary power units, off-highway equipment, stationary engines and for other non-highway purposes. All claims for refunds must be supported by appropriate records and documentation, which have to be kept available for inspection for four years. Taxpayers who use a distribution log to record removals from bulk storage should note deliveries for off-highway purposes with a description of the equipment. Each entry should show the date and number of gallons, and must be signed. The log must include the taxpayer's stamped or preprinted name and address.

A refund claim must be postmarked within one year from the first day of the month following the date of use (if

withdrawn from your storage) or purchase, whichever is later.

Taxpayers can request a refund using the Comptroller's Texas Claim Refund of Gasoline or Diesel Fuel Taxes (Form 06-106). The claim should not include original invoices or other supporting documentation unless requested.

### **Tax refunds for diesel fuel used in power take-off (PTO) and auxiliary power units**

Beginning January 1, 2004, taxes paid on diesel fuel used in PTO or auxiliary power units will no longer be eligible for refund. For example, there are no tax refunds for fuel used in diesel-powered tilt bed grain trucks; bulk feed trucks, truck-mounted fertilizer spreaders or cotton module trucks equipped with PTOs.

### **Tax-Free Purchases of Dyed Diesel Fuel**

A signed statement can be used with an end user number to purchase tax-free dyed diesel fuel. To get an end user number, an applicant must first register with the Comptroller's office (Form AP-197, Texas Dyed Diesel Fuel End User Signed Statement Number Registration). No bonds or reports are required for signed statements. If the fuel is used exclusively for agricultural purposes, an applicant will receive an Agricultural End User Number, which allows the user to buy up to 25,000 gallons of tax-free dyed diesel per month. (Form 06-710, Texas End User Agricultural Signed Statement for Purchasing Tax-Free Dyed Diesel Fuel). If the fuel will be used for some non-agricultural purposes, the applicant will receive an End User Number, which allows the user to buy up to 10,000 gallons of tax-free dyed diesel per month. (Form 06-352, Texas End User Signed Statement for Purchasing Tax-Free Dyed Diesel Fuel). Dyed diesel fuel purchased using a signed statement may not be put into the fuel tanks of motor vehicles operating on Texas' public highways.

### **Motor Vehicle Tax**

The motor vehicle sales tax does not apply to farm machines, trailers and semi-trailers used primarily for farming and ranching, including the vehicles used primarily in poultry operations and on feedlots.

A farm machine is a self-propelled motor vehicle specially adapted for primary use on a farm or ranch in the production of crops or raising livestock (including poultry), to dispense feed or to apply fertilizer or other agricultural chemicals.

A farm trailer must be used in the production of food for human consumption, grass, feed or agricultural products to be sold in regular course of business.

A farm trailer primarily used by a farmer or rancher in processing, packing or marketing of the farmer's own livestock or agricultural products is not subject to tax.

A farm trailer exclusively used by an agricultural cooperative or gin to process, pack or market agricultural products is taxable unless the cooperative can prove that the

cooperative is the original producer of all agricultural products being processed, packed or marketed and that those functions are preformed at a location operated by the cooperative.

An exemption from motor vehicle sales tax is not granted based on how a vehicle is licensed or titled. For example, a pickup truck is not exempt as a farm vehicle even though it may have farm registration.

For more information look under the links section on <http://marion-tx.tamu.edu/>

The State Comptroller's office is located in Longview TX; phone 800-252-5555. For assistance from the Comptroller's office e-mail: [tax.help@cpa.state.tx.us](mailto:tax.help@cpa.state.tx.us).

Many publications can be found at the State Comptroller's office website:

[www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/taxpubs.html#sales](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/taxpubs.html#sales)

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## **Texas 2007 EQIP Sign-Up Deadline Is Near**

For 2007, EQIP cost-sharing and incentive assistance will be offered on a county-by-county basis to address locally identified resource concerns and state concerns identified by the Texas State Technical Committee. Each county has an approved list of conservation practices, cost share amounts and screening and ranking it uses in selecting applications for funding. State resource concerns, where applicable, are identified in each county.

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is a voluntary conservation program from the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service. It supports production agriculture and environmental quality as compatible goals. Through EQIP, farmers may receive financial and technical help with structural and management conservation practices on agricultural land. EQIP was reauthorized in the 2002 Farm Bill and is administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). It provides cost share and/or incentive payments to farmers and ranchers for applying conservation practices on their land. The program is designed to address both locally identified resource concerns and state priorities. Interested landowners or operators in Texas can sign up for the program at their local USDA Service Center.

EQIP may pay 50 percent or more of the costs of eligible conservation practices. Incentive payments may be made to encourage a farmer to adopt land management practices, such as nutrient management, manure management, integrated pest management, prescribed grazing management and wildlife habitat management.

Deadline for application is November 16th.

For more information go to:

[www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/Programs/EQIP/07/index.html](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/Programs/EQIP/07/index.html)

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## Free Internet Access

Did you know that you have free internet access through County Extension? We have an internet-connected computer in the office that is available for public use during our regular office hours. To use the computer all you have to do is come to the office. We'll help you "GetConnected"! For more information about this free service please call 903-665-2421.

## Winterization Tips for the Old or New Home

By Paulette Cooper

As with most of us, we wait until the fall of the year to began making the necessary changes to prepare our homes to save on those expensive winter heating bills. Information from several sources list the following tips that will assist us in lowering heating bills and cutting down on repairs that might come from damaged wood products that have been allowed to get wet. Additional information can be requested by searching the internet or calling the office at 903-665-2421.

### Furnace Inspection

- Call an HVAC professional to inspect your furnace and clean ducts.
- Stock up on furnace filters and change them monthly.
- Consider switching out your thermostat for a programmable thermostat.
- If your home is heated by a hot-water radiator, bleed the valves by opening them slightly and when water appears, close them.
- Remove all flammable material from the area surrounding your furnace.

### Get the Fireplace Ready

- Cap or screen the top of the chimney to keep out rodents and birds.
- If the chimney hasn't been cleaned for a while, call a chimney sweep to remove soot and creosote.
- Buy firewood or chop wood. Store it in a dry place away from the exterior of your home.
- Inspect the fireplace damper for proper opening and closing.

- Check the mortar between bricks and tuckpoint, if necessary.

## Check the Exterior, Doors and Windows

- Inspect exterior for crevice cracks and exposed entry points around pipes; seal them.
- Use weatherstripping around doors to prevent cold air from entering the home and caulk windows.
- Replace cracked glass in windows and, if you end up replacing the entire window, prime and paint exposed wood.
- If your home has a basement, consider protecting its window wells by covering them with plastic shields.
- Switch out summer screens with glass replacements from storage. If you have storm windows, install them.

## Inspect Roof, Gutters & Down Spouts

- If your weather temperature will fall below 32 degrees in the winter, adding extra insulation to the attic will prevent warm air from creeping to your roof and causing ice dams.
- Check flashing to ensure water cannot enter the home.
- Replace worn roof shingles or tiles.
- Clean out the gutters and use a hose to spray water down the down-spouts to clear away debris.
- Consider installing leaf guards on the gutters or extensions on the down-spouts to direct water away from the home.

## Service Weather-Specific Equipment

- Drain gas from lawnmowers.
- Service or tune-up snow blowers.
- Replace worn rakes and snow shovels.
- Clean, dry and store summer gardening equipment.
- Sharpen ice choppers and buy bags of ice-melt/sand.

## Check Foundations

- Rake away all debris and edible vegetation from the foundation.
- Seal up entry points to keep small animals from crawling under the house.
- Tuckpoint or seal foundation cracks. Mice can slip through space as thin as a dime.
- Inspect sill plates for dry rot or pest infestation.
- Secure crawlspace entrances.

## Install Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors

- Some cities require a smoke detector in every room.
- Buy extra smoke detector batteries and change them when daylight savings ends.
- Install a carbon monoxide detector near your furnace and/or water heater.
- Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to make sure they work.
- Buy a fire extinguisher or replace an extinguisher older than 10 years.



### Prevent Plumbing Freezes

- Locate your water main in the event you need to shut it off in an emergency.
- Drain all garden hoses.
- Insulate exposed plumbing pipes.
- Drain air conditioner pipes and, if your AC has a water shut-off valve, turn it off.
- If you go on vacation, leave the heat on, set to at least 55 degrees.

### Prepare Landscaping & Outdoor Surfaces

- Trim trees if branches hang too close to the house or electrical wires.
- Ask a gardener when your trees should be pruned to prevent winter injury.
- Plant spring flower bulbs and lift bulbs that cannot winter over such as dahlias in areas where the ground freezes.
- Seal driveways, brick patios and wood decks.
- Don't automatically remove dead vegetation from gardens as some provide attractive scenery in an otherwise dreary, snow-drenched yard.
- Move sensitive potted plants indoors or to a sheltered area.

### Prepare an Emergency Kit

- Buy indoor candles and matches / lighter for use during a power shortage.
- Find the phone numbers for your utility companies and tape them near your phone or inside the phone book.
- Buy a battery back-up to protect your computer and sensitive electronic equipment.
- Store extra bottled water and non-perishable food supplies (including pet food, if you have a pet), blankets and a first-aid kit in a dry and easy-to-access location.
- Prepare an evacuation plan to use in the event of an emergency.

More information can be found at [www.diy.net.com/diy/diy\\_kits/article/0,1983,DIY\\_1378...](http://www.diy.net.com/diy/diy_kits/article/0,1983,DIY_1378...)

Information can also be found by typing "Home Weatherization" in your internet search program. As much information as a person needs is available on the internet.

## From the Garden

### November Moon Phases

1st, Thursday, Last Quarter

9th, Friday, New Moon

17th, Saturday, First Quarter

24th, Saturday, Full Moon



With the first of the cold winter air blowing in from the Canada, during the first weeks of November, summer plants will need protecting from the cold. Bring them inside or into a green house is preferred. The first freeze date is around November 15 for our area. Any summer vegetable plants that are left outside will need to be pulled up and discarded. Do not compost summer vegetables.

Winter can be a great time of the year to grow plants in green houses. Green houses can range in cost from very expensive glass made structures costing several thousands of dollars to simple \$20 - \$100 wooden structures with plastic stapled to a wooden frame to create a green house effect. The plants need air to live so having the ability to open up the ends during moderately cool days is desirable. Good luck with your projects this winter.

## November Extension Programs (Continued)

### Building Communities Series

#### November Session

By Paulette Cooper

The next session is scheduled for November 9, at 9:30 AM, at Kellyville. This session is titled: **Community Preparedness---Building on Assets**". The focus is on the process used to help a community analyze its strengths and weaknesses prior to developing a plan to improve economic development opportunities in the community.

The sessions are still open for new comers. The discussions are thought provoking and everyone is invited to participate. The previous two sessions will be available at a later date through video. Those starting the sessions late can hear the recorded versions so that they can to complete their certification.

For program information contact Paulette Cooper, Marion County Extension Office, 903-665-2421, or [pcooper@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:pcooper@ag.tamu.edu). To register, call Barbara Hampton at 903-665-2421.

## Cattle Raisers Meeting

By Brock Fry



You are invited to attend the Cooperative Extension **Cattle Raisers Meeting** on, Monday, November 12th at 6:00 PM. The meeting is at the Extension office at Kellyville.

Jason Banta, Ph.D., Texas Cooperative Extension Beef Specialist, will talk with you about cattle, bulls, and heifers.

Jeffery Koch, Ph.D., Program Specialist for Ag and Natural Resources, will be on hand to talk about body condition scores and this year's hay & supplementation.

Also on hand will be Hugh Soape Ph.D., Extension Programs Specialist Beef Cattle to discuss winter pastures.

## American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) November Program

By Paulette Cooper

**National Care Services for Seniors** is the November AARP program topic. The program speaker is a representative from Good Shephard's Home Care department talking about the services they provide for seniors in this area.

You are invited to join us at Kellyville on Thursday, November 15th, at 2:00 PM. Cost is FREE.

## Pesticide Applicator's Class

By Brock Fry

**Pesticide CEU Class** is offered at 6:00 PM, Tuesday, November 20, 2007 at Kellyville. It is important for the environment, safety, cost, state requirements, and education to attend pesticide classes. This class will offer two CEU. Cost is FREE.

## Reflections (On Last Month's Programs):

## Marion County Hay Show

Story By Brock Fry

Photo By Dave Arnold

On October 2, 2007 many hay producers got together here at Kelly Park and drew from the knowledge of Clint Perkins

and Johnny Cates. They have spent extensive time working with hay shows around Northeast Texas.



The winners of the show were: First Place, Lynn and Diana Mabus; Second Place, Ray Lewis; Third Place, Mary Alice Biggs. Congratulations to every one who was in the 2007 Hay Show. There was also a "People's Choice Award". Everyone attending the program placed a sticker on the hay they thought was the best. Johnny McNeely won the People's Choice award. The winning hay bales were displayed at the 2007 Marion County Fair.

Other topics discussed were adding more pot ash to our soils, root depth, and the advantages of having a hay barn.

## Underground Water District Program

By Brock Fry

Over 15 residents of Marion County listened as Robert Bradley, of the Texas Water Development Board, Kelly Mills, of Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, and Bruce Lesikar talked about the water situation here in Marion County.

Participants were very concerned about an increase in taxes, and rightfully so. They also saw the value that an underground water district would bring to our county. Water is an asset to our county, and without a board to protect it, we could be a sitting duck for places like Dallas, Longview and for bottling companies that can export our water.

## October Community Development Class Termed Successful

By Paulette Cooper

The second session of the Community Development class held October 12, found eleven members of the group seeking answers to some of the questions they are faced with in their jobs, their communities and with some of the projects they are trying to get off the ground.

The session titled "Community Capacity Building", mirrored many of the situations faced by not only our rural community but, as class participants discovered, the same situations faced by almost every rural community in the United States. Serious questions revolving around how

decisions are made and how to detect if all voices are being heard were reasons for concern.

Professor Randy Stoecker challenged the class to rethink their notions of democratic community decision making. Class participants came away with ideas of how to maximize citizen input and design strategies that will address the needs of all those in our community and increase community participation.

## AARP – Cancer Awareness

By Paulette Cooper

Members of the AARP were addressed by John Cooper who addressed the issues on Cancer Awareness. Cooper, a former Emergency Medical Technician encouraged members to take advantage of all the free screenings offered at local health fairs and to keep abreast of the dates recommended by their physicians for certain screenings such as: mammograms for both men and women, colon screenings, paps, and the big one for men "prostate".

Skin cancers, moles and other skin lumps and bumps should be checked regularly also. Many of the cancers he stated, can be detected by blood tests done in the doctors office or at health screenings put on by local groups conducting specific screenings on health issues.

Personal examinations are the best detectors for some of these cancers. People should always be aware of the changes and signs that are different in their body that they didn't experience before or that don't go away in three to seven days. He closed with annual check-ups are the key.

## Wildlife Food Plot Update

Story & Photos By Brock Fry

On October 23, 2007, I visited the twelve wildlife food plots that were reported on in the newsletter last month. My goal is to show that food plots can sustain wildlife for the winter and spring months. Arriving at the plots, I notice the ground surrounding the plots had been dug up by feral hogs, Figure 1. There didn't seem to be any real damage in the plots themselves; however some of our plot-control pens were bent like the one in Figure 2, below. A feral hog trap was set on the outskirts of the plots for control. Thus far no hogs have been trapped.



Fig. 1 - Hog Rooting



Figure 2 - Bent Plot-Control Pen

These round plot-control pens were set out in each plot. The pen is a control so we can see what has been eaten off the surrounding plot. As you can see in Figure 2, the ground is bare around the control sample which indicates the necessity for the pens. We would probably think we had a failed crop otherwise. There were several plants in each of the eight plot-control pens. The most visible plants were Rio Verde Lablab and Apache arrowleaf clover.



Figure 3 - Lablab Eaten Off



In Figure 3, above, the Lablab has been eaten off to a low level; probably by deer.

Smithland TX, where the food plots are located, has a wholesome population of deer. The deer and other wildlife have been grazing these food plots. About 95% of the vegetation has been eaten. As time goes on the expectation is that the plots will continue to be eaten greatly. We should



**Figure 4 - Several Plants in Plot**

see some plant improvement in the spring but we have to see what comes up next now.

Three seed combinations were replicated four times. The replicated seed combinations were cowpeas, oats, clover and Lablab. Oats, clover, and Lablab only were also planted. See future editions of the newsletters for updates.

## Online Tax Class

Watch: November's LIVE (free) Webcast program

When: Tuesday, November 6, 2007

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM ET

Topic: "What's Hot in Employment Taxes: Independent Contractor or Employee?"

CPE Program Level: Overview

1 CPE Credit Recommended; NO prerequisites or advance preparation

CTEC Course #: 3022-CE-0052

ELMS Course #: 22884

Program Content:

Our November program will deal with worker classification issues. Panelists will discuss legislative and judicial background and recent changes regarding worker classification, why the worker classification issue is important and what the IRS is doing about it, and what workers who feel they have been misclassified can do to correct their situation.

## Learning Objectives:

The primary learning objective is to maintain or increase competency of tax practitioners through expert discussion, explanation and interactive questioning. The programs are designed for learners (tax professionals) to exercise a practical understanding of new and current tax policies, as well as the latest changes, in a complex and continually changing industry.

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## 2007 Calendar of Upcoming Events

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